

page 1, line 23: after "pads." enter --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION.--;

page 2, line 10: cancel;

line 11: cancel and substitute therefor: --DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS.

The novel features which are considered to be characteristic of the invention are set forth with particularity in the appended claims. The invention itself, however, in respect of its structure, construction and lay-out as well as manufacturing techniques, together with other objects and advantages thereof, will be best understood from the following description of preferred embodiments when read in connection with the appended drawings, in which:--;

line 17: enter --DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT.--;

page 4, line 1: cancel "Claims" and substitute --What is claimed is-- therefor;

page 5, line 1: cancel;

line 4: cancel; and

line 15: cancel.

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 1 to 4 and substitute the following new claims:

5. (New) A self-inking stamp, comprising:

a substantially parallelepiped frame having at one end thereof a substantially shaft formed by a parallelepiped arrangement of substantially flat surface members for receiving by sliding movement a container with a stamp pad therein and at an end opposite the one end a web defining an opening disposed substantially parallel to the shaft;

a stamp platen;

an actuator movable against the bias of a spring from a rest position to a second position;

a swivel mechanism supporting the stamp platen and connected to the

actuator for moving the platen from a first position of engaging the stamp pad to a second position within the opening;

an elongated groove disposed in at least one of the surface members and the container and extending in the direction of sliding movement of the container; and

a protrusion in the other of the at least one surface member and container disposed to be received in the groove during sliding movement of the container.

6. (New) The stamp of claim 5, wherein there is provided a second groove disposed in parallel to the first groove and a second protrusion disposed to be received in the second groove.

7. (New) The stamp of claim 5, wherein the protrusion is an elongated rib.

8. (New) The stamp of claim 7, wherein the length of the rib is less than the length of the groove.

9. (New) The stamp of claim 5, wherein the groove and the protrusion are of substantially complementary cross-section.

10. (New) The stamp of claim 9, wherein the cross-section is substantially semi-circular.

In the Abstract of the Disclosure:

Cancel the Abstract and substitute the following:

--A self-inking stamp with a stamp pad disposed in a container movably retained in a shaft in the frame of the stamp. To prevent the insertion into the shaft of non-genuine stamp pads the shaft and container are respectively provided with complementary keying features. In a preferred embodiment the keying feature consists of matching grooves and protrusions in the shaft and container, respectively.--